

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH PRACTICUM OPPORTUNITIES IN CANADA

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PRACTICUM FOR HEALTH INSPECTOR CERTIFICATION						
AB	Alberta Health Services	4 per year	Minimum 12 -16 weeks	Covers all major EH areas	William Hohn Edmonton 780-342-0124 William.Hohn@albertahealthservices.ca	Practicum students are from Concordia University College recruitment system
BC	Fraser Health Authority	9 students per year	12 week practicum for BCIT/PHI students	Covers all the main EH areas	Tim Shum 604-949-7262 tim.shum@fraserhealth.ca	All students placed by BCIT/PHI program instructors Students are involved with various PHIs from Fraser Health.
	Interior Health Authority	6 students per year	12 week practicum for BCIT & Concordia PHI students	Covers all main EH areas	Ken Christian 250-851-7309 ken.christian@interiorhealth.ca	Practicum students are from BCIT and Concordia University College. All students placed by PHI program instructors.
	Ministry of Health	Occasional	Longer periods (6 mo - 1 yr) provided as PHI graduate secondments for special projects Shorter periods may also be available	Drinking Water Land Use Management Food Safety	Tim Lambert Victoria 250-952-1987 tim.lambert@gov.bc.ca	No practicum set up at the moment, but interested in providing future EH opportunities
	National Collaborating Centre for Environmental Health (NCCEH) & BC Centre for Disease Control (BCCDC)	Dependent upon supervisor availability	3-4 months	Current EH topics: evaluation of past NCCEH activities & products; development of training materials Field research projects with BCCDC	Christina Chociolko Vancouver 604-707-2465 christina.chociolko@bccdc.ca	The NCCEH practicum provides indepth experiences but not 'in the frontline' delivery of services and therefore is not recognized by the Board of Certification Paid position
	Northern Health Public Health Protection	Varies dependent upon resources	Minimum of 12 weeks	Covers all the main EH areas	Lucy Beck 250-649-7063 Lucy.Beck@northernhealth.ca	Students expected to be flexible with scheduling changes to facilitate areas of training as they arise.
MB	Manitoba Health	Variable	Practicum for PHI students can be set up with Manitoba Health on an 'as need' basis	Covers all the main EH areas	Mike LeBlanc 204-788-6726 mike.leblanc@gov.mb.ca	Although there is no formal practicum established, opportunities are available based on student request. Bursary program available Priority is given to MB students, bursary students & those interested in a full-time position.
NB	Dept. of Health	8-10 per year	Minimum 12 weeks (longer if appropriate)	EH topic matched with student interest	Scott MacLean 506-453-2427 scott.maclean@gnb.ca	Delivery services are divided into 4 regions where students are placed in appropriate areas and with a provincial organization.
NL	Dept of Government Services	Varies dependent upon need & resources	Minimum of 12 weeks Long term available	Covers all the main EH areas	Terry Battcock Government Services Confederation Building 709-729-2104 tbattcoc@gov.nl.ca	Bursary program available Paid position

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NS	Dept of Health Promotion & Protection	4 per year	12 weeks	Food Safety (Dept of Agriculture) and Environmental Monitoring & Compliance (Dept of Environment & Labour) * Students go through both of the above programs	Director of Environmental Health 902-424-4807 or 1-866-231-3882 (toll free) healthpromotion@gov.ns.ca	Joint involvement of: Dept of Health Promotion & Protection; Dept of Environment; Dept of Agriculture
NT	Dept. of Health & Social Services	1 at a time	As need arises and as funding is available	All areas of EH	Duane Fleming 867-873-2183 Duane_Fleming@gov.nt.ca	Practicum opportunity is open when funding is available. Paid position for student PHI from NT
ON	Eastern Ontario Health Unit	2 bilingual students	Minimum of 12 weeks	Covers all major EH areas	Caroline Kuate Cornwall, ON 613-933-1375 ex 220 ckuate@eohu.ca	Student will be placed with 1 supervisor and mentored by PHIs, in rotation. Mainly summer placement but could also be during school year. Paid Position Scholarships could be offered.
	Hamilton Public Health Services	Up to 6	Usually 16 weeks, maybe longer	Covers all major EH areas	Susan Harding-Cruz Hamilton, ON 905-546-2424 Ext. 3576 Susan.Harding-Cruz@hamilton.ca	Mentored by PHIs. Paid position. Structured practicum. Usually begin recruitment in February. Located one hour west of Toronto.
	Oxford County Public Health & Emergency Services	2 students	12 weeks; May 4 to August 28, 2009	Practicum experience in both rural and urban settings EH Focus: sewage, communicable diseases, summer camps, recreational water, small drinking water systems, Smoke Free Ontario Act, emergencies, West Nile virus, rabies prevention and control, food premises	Peter Heywood Woodstock, ON 519-539-9800 ex 3502 publichealth@county.oxford.on.ca RE: Student Public Health Inspector Practicum, Summer 2009	Student public health inspector will provide assistance to staff PH Inspectors and other members of the Health Protection Team. Paid position Must have valid driver's licence and use of vehicle located with 50 km of London and Kitchener
	Peel Public Health Department	Up to 6 for 2009	17 weeks: May 11 to August 28, 2009	EH focus: Food Safety, Safe Drinking Water, Health Hazard Investigation, Tobacco Control, Communicable Disease Control/Investigation, and other general PH activities as assigned	Danny Martin 905-791-7800 Ext. 7404 Danny.Martin@peelregion.ca	Mentored by PHIs. Paid position. Structured practicum. Recruitment begins in February. Located 20-30 minutes west of Toronto.
	Toronto Public Health	Maximum of 2	2-3 months	EH research and policy	Ron de Burger 416-338-7953 rdeburg@toronto.ca	Go to: "Healthy People, Healthy Environment" website: www.toronto.ca/health/hp/he/index.htm for policy & research work available in numerous EH areas
		8 - 16 per year	16 week practicum (minimum), summer and fall sessions offered	EH Focus: Food Safety, Health Hazard Investigation, Tobacco Control/Bylaws, Control of Infectious Diseases/Infection Control	Deb Wharton 416-397-4771 dwharto@toronto.ca	Located with a PH inspector as mentor Priority placement is given to graduates of approved Canadian schools.
SK	Regional Health Authorities	1-2 per summer	Held during summer months	Match student with Saskatchewan RHA focus	Terry Gibson Regina 306-655-4698 terry.gibson@saskatoonhealthregion.ca	University of Saskatchewan combines with SK Health Region to provide programs PHI students from: First Nations University/Regina & Concordia University College/Edmonton
YT	Health and Social Services	1 per year	Usually during the summer months Dependent upon available staff	All areas of EH	Eric Bergsma 867-667-8391 eric.bergsma@gov.yk.ca	In Jan/Feb staff makes practicum plans for the coming year. Paid position

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Variable (BC, AB, SK, MB, ON, QC, Atlantic)	Health Canada, First Nations and Inuit Health Branch	Variable	Variable	Covers all environmental public health areas. Focus is on delivery of services in First Nations communities in Canada.	Emily Boyce 613-946-8161 emily_boyce@hc-sc.gc.ca	Paid position
PRACTICUM FOR MASTERS DEGREE IN PUBLIC HEALTH						
AB	Alberta Health Services	1-2 per year	Independent program for students from School of PH, University of Alberta	EH topic matched with student interest	William Hohn Edmonton 780-413-7930 William.Hohn@albertahealthserv ices.ca	Practicum possible if there is a match with Capital Health's needs at the time
BC	Ministry of Health	Occasional	Longer periods (6 mo - 1 yr) provided as PHI graduate secondments for special projects Shorter periods may also be available	Drinking Water Land Use Management Food Safety Long Term Care/Assisted Living Child Care	Tim Lambert Victoria 250-952-1987 tim.lambert@gov.bc.ca	No practicum set up at the moment, but interested in providing future EH opportunities
	National Collaborating Centre for Environmental Health (NCCEH) & BC Centre for Disease Control (BCCDC)	Dependent upon supervisor availability	3-4 months	Current EH topics: evaluation of past NCCEH activities & products; development of training materials Field research projects with BCCDC	Christina Chociolko Vancouver 604-707-2465 christina.chociolko@bccdc.ca	Paid position
ON	Toronto Public Health	1 per year	Placement: project based & planned around student needs & availability Placement Options: 3-6 months at workplace (full time); 1-2 days/week at workplace; student off-site (on campus) most of the time, with project supervision	Match student EH interest with a Toronto PH focus	Ron de Burger 416-338-7953 rdeburg@toronto.ca	Go to: "Healthy People, Healthy Environment" website (www.toronto.ca/health/hphe/index.htm) for policy & research work available in numerous EH areas
QC	Montreal Regional Health Authorities		On an individual basis, as requested	Student interest matched with EH content from Health Region as a whole	Louis Drouin 514-528-2400 Ldrouin@santepub-mtl.qc.ca	University of Montreal (www.mdtrav.umontreal.ca) and McGill University are linked to the Montreal Regional Health Authorities for research work in EH. At present, there is no formal practicum established.
SK	Regional Health Authorities		On an individual basis, as requested	Student interest matched with EH content from Health Region as a whole	Terry Gibson Regina 306-655-4698 terry.gibson@saskatoonhealthre gion.ca	University of Saskatchewan combines with SK Health Region to provide programs
ROTATION FOR MEDICAL RESIDENTS/STUDENTS						
AB	Alberta Health Services	5 medical students each year 5 non community medical residents each year	Both medical students & non community medical residents	Most EH areas are included	Doris Tomlinson Edmonton 780-413-4924 doris.tomlinson@albertahealthse rvices.ca	Serves students from University of Alberta

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MB	Winnipeg Regional Health Authority	Variable	Typically 1-2 months with Medical Officers of Health, in conjunction with other regional and provincial environmental health practitioners	Can be tailored to resident/student interest	Mike Routledge 204-926-7847 mroutledge@wrha.mb.ca	
NT	Dept. of Health & Social Services	1 per year	3-4 months on an 'ad hoc basis'	All areas of EH	Andre Corriveau 867-920-8646 andre_corriveau@gov.nt.ca	Training with Chief Medical Officer
NU	Dept. of Health & Services	Upon request	8 weeks Community Medicine Resident Program	EH component based on student interest	Peter Workman Nunuvut 867-975-5764 Pworkman@gov.nu.ca	All practicum opportunities are based on student request.
QC	Institut national de santé publique du Québec (INSPQ)		Medical students & non-medical research students Quebec City	Medical training in EH is available at the regional level and the provincial level, under the administrative responsibility of the Faculty of Medicine at Laval University	Marc Rhainds 418-650-5115 #5215 marc.rhainds@inspq.qc.ca	Training could be better facilitated if students have an understanding of the French language.
	Montreal Regional Health Authority	4 per year	Medical students from Université de Montréal or from McGill University	All areas of EH	Louis Jacques Montreal 514-528-2400-3305 ljacques@santepub-mtl.qc.ca	Usually serves students of Montreal and McGill Universities